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South Africa and Mauritius

Memorandum of understanding between the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius on cooperation in the field of social development. Sandton, 23 November 2006

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PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Republic of Mauritius (hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties" and in the singular as a "Party");

DESIRING to promote and strengthen existing friendly relations and co-operation between both countries;

SEEKING to encourage and further develop their amicable relationship through the exchange of programmes, information and expertise aimed at benefiting the participants in social development activities in both countries;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

The Competent Authorities responsible for the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding (herein referred to as MoU) shall be:

- a) in the case of South Africa, the Department of Social Development; and
- in the case of Mauritius, the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Senior Citizens Welfare Reform Institutions.

ARTICLE 2

AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

The Parties shall co-operate through the exchange of information on policies, strategies and programmes in addressing the following areas:

- a) Social assistance to vulnerable communities;
- b) HIV and AIDS;
- c) drug and substance abuse and rehabilitation;
- d) persons with disabilities;
- e) capacity building for civil society organizations;
- implementation of the Southern African Development Community and African Union decisions, including the NEPAD programme;
- g) other areas that may fall within the agreed areas, which are mutually deemed necessary for the implementation of co-operation.

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ARTICLE 3

FORMS OF COOPERATION

The Parties shall encourage co-operation through-

- (a) placement of officials of one Party in the country of the other for the purpose of exchanging information, knowledge and expertise in specified fields;
- (b) the exchange of information for policy and programme development in the areas referred to in Article 2;
- (c) support and promotion of interaction between civil society organizations of both countries in an effort to promote dialogue and initiate capacity building programmes;
- (d) meetings, conferences, workshops and seminars to be held in both countries.

ARTICLE 4

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Unless the Parties otherwise agree, costs undertaken in terms of this MoU shall be borne as follows:

- (a) International travel, accommodation and subsistence costs for the visiting delegation shall be borne by the sending Party; and
- (b) the Parties shall agree in writing, on responsibilities for other costs arising from the implementation of this MoU.

ARTICLE 5

AMENDMENTS

- This MoU may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties through an Exchange of Notes between the Parties through the diplomatic channel.
- 2) The amendment shall not affect any rights and obligations arising from the MoU before the date of the amendment unless the Parties agree otherwise in the Exchange of Nation.

ARTICLE 6

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute between the Parties arising out of the interpretation, application or implementation of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through consultation and negotiation between the Parties.

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ARTICLE 7

ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION AND TERMINATION

- 1) This MoU shall enter into force on the date of signature thereof.
- 2) This MoU shall remain in force for a period of five years, whereafter it shall be automatically renewed for equal and successive periods, unless terminated by either Party giving three months' notice in writing to the other Party through the diplomatic channel of its intention to terminate it.
- A Party terminating this MoU shall remain bound to contractual relationships to which it is a Party and to its obligations there under, until they are fulfilled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments have signed and sealed this Memorandum of Understanding in duplicate in the English language, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE AT SAMPTON on this 23th day of MOVEMBER 2006.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

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